



## **Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Transportation & Public Works**

**Date:** May 13, 2014

**To:** Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Subject:** **Edina Fair Large Block Event, June 6 – June 8, 2014**

**Recommendation:** Approve large block event to operate outside of City of Minneapolis Ordinance language, Title 17, Chapter 455

**Previous Directives:**

- 2006 to 2013 – City Council approved Edina Art Fair large block event
- March 10, 2006 – Passage of Ordinance amending Title 17, Chapter 455 of Code relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events, establishing a new "large block event" category, extending the hours allowed for block events, and clarifying amplified sound permit requirements for residential block events.

**Department Information**

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Presenters in Committee: Douglas Maday, Phil Schliesman

**Reviews**

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): N/A
- Civil Rights Approval N/A
- Policy Review Group (PRG): N/A

**Financial Impact**

- No financial impact

**Community Impact**

- Neighborhood Notification – Applicant must adhere to all conditions of Title 17, Chapter 455 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events  
City Goals - Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital and safe city
- Comprehensive Plan - Not Applicable
- Zoning Code - Not Applicable

**Supporting Information**

The 50th & France Business Associations Edina Art Fair has requested the closure of 50th Street West from Drew Avenue South to the boundary of the City of Edina at France Avenue South and France Avenue South between 49 ½ Street West and 51st Street West.

The closure would start on Thursday June 5, 2014 at France Avenue South at 6:30p.m. and 50th Street West at 7:30p.m. The closure would end Sunday June 8th, 2014. This set-up time and operation of the Art Fair is outside the large block event ordinance and thus needs Council approval.

Public Works agrees with allowing the closure of 50th Street West and France Avenue South during this time period as long as the applicant acquires the proper permits needed in order to hold the event. The applicant will be responsible for obtaining the proper signage needed for lane and sidewalk closures. The applicant is also responsible for hiring the proper number of police officers for traffic control during the event.

All road closures have been reviewed and approved by representatives of Hennepin County and the Cities of Edina and Minneapolis.

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